1946. Van Zandt Co.: 1½ miles west of Wills Point, Lloyd H. Shinners 10830, April 3, 1949.

Doubtless the plant occurs elsewhere in the United States, but has been mistaken for *B. nigra* because of its appressed pods. The above transfer is made with some hesitation, following the lead of Wheeler. Dr. Wheeler admits that his adoption of the name *Brassica kaber* in place of *B. arvensis* (L.) Rabenhorst (not *B. arvensis* L.) is not the result of taxonomic study, but merely of examination of the synonymy given by Schulz in Das Pflanzenreich—not necessarily an unimpeachably complete account of all possibly pertinent nomenclatorial data.—Lloyd H. Shinners, Southern Methodist University, Dallas, Texas.

POTAMOGETON OBLONGUS, NOT P. POLYGONIFOLIUS.—

Potamogeton oblongus Viv. in Ann. Bot. i. 62 (1804). P. polygonifolius sensu Reichenbach, Ic. Fl. Germ. vii. 37 (1845) and later authors, not Pourret in Mém. Acad. Toul. iii. 325 (1788).

Mansfeld in Fedde, Repert. xlv. 209 (1938), summarizing the situation, concludes that *Potamogeton polygonifolius* belongs to *P. alpinus* Balbis (1804) and that the name *P. oblongus* must be used for the plant which has erroneously passed as *P. polygonifolius*.—M. L. Fernald.

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